Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a computing environment for extending a wizard comprising:

providing a host-wizard component;

providing one or more sub-wizard components; ~~and~~

~~said host-wizard~~ invoking said one or more ~~sub~~ sub-wizard components during said ~~host~~ host-wizard component execution; and

transferring control from said host-wizard to said one or more sub-wizard components.

2. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein said one or more sub-wizard components ~~is a~~ are browser based object ~~component~~ components.

3. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein said one or more sub-wizard components ~~is an~~ are operating system based application component object ~~extension~~ extensions.

4. (Currently Amended) A system for use in a computing environment for extending a wizard comprising:

a ~~host-wizard~~ host-wizard, said host-wizard having ~~an~~ a host-wizard interface adapted to communicate with other wizards and a ~~host~~ host-wizard navigational component adapted to transfer control to other wizards;

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one or more sub-wizard components, said one or more sub-wizard ~~component~~ components having ~~a~~ sub-wizard ~~interface~~ interfaces adapted to communicate with other wizards and ~~a~~ sub-wizard navigational ~~component~~ components adapted to transfer control to other wizards;

wherein said host-wizard can communicate with said one or more sub-wizard components through said host-wizard interface and at least one of said sub-wizard interfaces; and

wherein control is transferred between said host-wizard and said one or more sub-wizard components ~~can be transferred to one another~~ through said ~~host~~ host-wizard navigational component and said sub-wizard navigational component, thereby creating ~~to create~~ an extended wizard.

5. (Currently Amended) A system as recited in claim 4 wherein said one or more ~~sub-wizards~~ sub-wizard components ~~is a~~ are browser based object ~~component~~ components.

6. (Currently Amended) A system as recited in claim 4 wherein said one or more ~~sub-wizards~~ sub-wizard components ~~is a~~ are component object ~~extension~~ extensions.

7. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a computing environment for extending a wizard comprising:

providing a host wizard;

providing a web component comprising:

a web page, said web page containing a header area, a wizard control area and a control interface area;

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one or more object module functions, said object module functions

enabling navigation; and

said control interface area having navigation control ~~means for~~

~~recursive navigation~~ <u>adapted to recursively navigate</u> within said web

component and to said host wizard, by utilizing said one or more object

module functions;

providing a user interface that integrates said web component into said host wizard;

and

providing an information container to exchange informational items between said

web component and said host wizard.

8. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having computer

executable instructions for performing a method for use in a computing environment for

extending a wizard comprising:

providing a host-wizard component;

providing one or more sub-wizard components; ~~and~~

~~said host wizard~~ invoking said one or more ~~sub~~ <u>sub-wizard</u> components during said

host-wizard component execution<u>; and</u>

<u>transferring control from said host-wizard to said one or more sub-wizard</u>

<u>components</u>.

9. (Currently Amended) A computer system having a processor, a memory

and an operating environment, the computer system operable to execute a method for use in a

computing environment for extending a wizard comprising:

providing a host-wizard component;

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providing one or more sub-wizard components; ~~and~~

~~said host-wizard~~ invoking said one or more ~~sub~~ sub-wizard components during said

host-wizard component execution; and

transferring control from said host-wizard to said one or more sub-wizard

components.

10. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having computer

executable instructions for performing a method for use in a computing environment for

extending a wizard comprising:

providing a host wizard;

providing a web component comprising:

a web page, said web page containing a header area, a wizard control

area and a control interface area;

one or more object module functions, said object module functions

enabling navigation; and

said control interface area having navigation control ~~means for~~

~~recursive navigation~~ adapted to recursively navigate within said web

component and to said host wizard, by utilizing said one or more object

module functions;

providing a user interface that integrates said web component into said host wizard;

and

providing an information container to exchange informational items between said

web component and said host wizard.

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11. (Currently Amended) A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system operable to execute a method for use in a computing environment for extending a wizard comprising:

providing a host wizard;

providing a web component comprising:

a web page, said web page containing a header area, a wizard control area and a control interface area;

one or more object module functions, said object module functions enabling navigation; and

said control interface area having navigation control ~~means for recursive navigation~~ adapted to recursively navigate within said web component and to said host wizard, by utilizing said one or more object module functions;

providing a user interface that integrates said web component into said host wizard; and

providing an information container to exchange informational items between said web component and said host wizard.

12. (Original) A method for use in a computing environment for chaining wizards comprising:

providing a first wizard;

providing a second wizard; and

providing at least one navigation component on each of said first and second wizards,

said navigation components allowing sequential progression or regression through

said first and second wizards to chain said second wizard to said first wizard.

13. (Original) A method as recited in claim 12, wherein said first wizard is

selected from the group consisting of an operating system based wizard and a web based

wizard; and

said second wizard is selected from the group consisting of an operating system based

wizard and a web based wizard.

14. (Original) A computer system having a processor, a memory and an

operating environment, the computer system operable to execute a method for use in a

computing environment for chaining wizards comprising:

providing a first wizard;

providing a second wizard; and

providing at least one navigation component on each of said first and second wizards,

said navigation components allowing sequential progression or regression through

said first and second wizards to chain said second wizard to said first wizard.

15. (Original) A computer readable medium having computer executable

instructions for performing a method for use in a computing environment for chaining

wizards comprising:

providing a first wizard;

providing a second wizard; and

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providing at least one navigation component on each of said first and second wizards,

said navigation components allowing sequential progression or regression through said first

and second wizards to chain said second wizard to said first wizard.